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MEMORANDUM FOR DR. KISSINGER
FROM: SITUATION ROOM

State Dept. review
completed

SUBJECT: NOON NOTES

NSA review
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COMMUNIST ATROCITY IN SOUTH VIETNAM: EMBASSY SAIGON REPORTS THAT ON OCTOBER 5 THE BODIES OF ELEVEN GVN REGIONAL FORCES MEN, REPORTED MISSING OR CAPTURED IN PHONG DINH PROVINCE THE PREVIOUS DAY, WERE FOUND BOUND AND SHOT THROUGH THE HEADS THE FIRST SUCH INCIDENT IN THE DELTA SINCE THE CURRENT OFFENSIVE BEGAN.

NVA CONSCRIPTION RUNNING HIGH: BASED ON AVAILABLE NSA RESOURCES, THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER SAW AN ALL-TIME HIGH NUMBER OF NORTH VIETNAMESE INDUCTION RELATED MESSAGES -- REACHING APPROXIMATELY 252 FOR THE MONTH. THESE REFERENCES, SPREAD EVENLY THROUGHOUT THE MONTH, REPRESENT A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE OVER THE PREVIOUS ALL-TIME HIGH TOTAL OF APPROXIMATELY 261 FOR DECEMBER 1971, AND OVER LAST YEAR'S SEPTEMBER TOTAL OF ONLY 33 MESSAGES.

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